Pandits and Hakims employed in Government Central Pharmacy, Bangalore.

Q.—48. SRI C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the No. of Pandits and Hakims employed in the Government Central Pharmacy, Bangalore and their pay and qualifications ;

(*b*) the number of unskilled workers (Men and Women) employed for the preparation of Medicines in the said Pharmacy and what is their pay ;

(*c*) whether the Pharmacy has got up-to-date machineries for the manufacture of Medicines ;

(*d*) if not, whether they intend purchasing them in the near future ;

(*e*) if so, at what cost ?

A.—SRI K. NAGAPPA ALVA (Minister for Health).—

(*a*) The following officers have been employed :—

(i) Officer incharge in the scale of Rs. 300-700 with M. B. B. S. and L. A. M. S. Qualification ;

(ii) One Superintendent in the scale of Rs. 230-500 with L. A. M. S. Qualification ;

(iii) 3 Assistant Supervisors (Ayurvedic) in the scale of Rs. 120-240 with LAMS Qualification ;

(iv) 4 Assistant Superivisors (Unani) in the scale of Rs. 120-240 with L. U. M. S. Qualification ;

(*b*) 19 Lascars in the scale of Rs. 50-1-60 are utilised for the preparation of medicine.

(*c*) To a certain extent.

(*d*) A few will be purchased according to needs.

(*e*) Purchase of some equipment costing Rs. 14,300 has recently been sanctioned.

Herbarium attached to the Government Central Pharmacy.

Q.—49. SRI C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the extent of "Dhanavantrivana (Herbarium) attached to the Government Central Pharmacy, Bangalore ;

(*b*) who is the controlling authority of the said Vana ;

(*c*) which are the rare varieties of herbs grown in the said Vana ;

(*d*) the value of the herbs produced there each year during the last three years ?

A.—Sri K. NAGAPPA ALVA (Minister for Health).—

(*a*) No "Dhanavantrivana" or Herbarium is attached to the Government Central Pharmacy, Bangalore.

(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) Do not arise in view of the reply to clause (*a*) above.

Practical Training to Ayurvedic Students.

Q.—53. Sri C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether any practical training is given to the students studying in Ayurvedic Colleges in the State ;

(*b*) if so, in what standard, how many periods and what kind of training is being given ;.

(*c*) whether they are examined in practical courses also ?

A.—Sri K. NAGAPPA ALVA (Minister for Health).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The practical training is given to the students from the beginning of the I Year of the Course itself.

The Number of periods and the kind of practical training in each subject are detailed below :—

Subject	No. of Practicals for each course.	No. of Periods per week
1 Sharear	50	Two periods of one or two hours.
2 Doshadhatumala Vignayana ;	30	do
3 Vanaspathi Parichaya and Dravayana.	75	do
4 Shalya Shalakya.	50	do
5 Prasutitrantra	50	do
6 Ashudha Niramana Vignayana.	25	do

Viz. all the students who pass out the Final Year Examination must undergo 6 months of compulsory internship.

(*c*) Yes.